

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Steinlein *et al.*Appl. No.: 09/555,211

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M.L.**Preliminary Amendment**Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In advance of prosecution, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments***In the Specification:***At page ~~1~~, after the title, please ~~insert~~ the following sentence:

A1
This application is a 35 U.S.C. § 371 national stage application of the international application, PCT/EP98/07682, filed November 27, 1998, which claims priority benefit to German application no. 197 52 922.4 filed November 28, 1997 and German application no. 198 05 229.4, filed on February 10, 1998, the full disclosures of which are herein incorporated by reference.

At page ~~11~~, line 12, change the word "new" to --neu--.At page ~~14~~, line 6, after the words "For this purpose" please ~~insert~~ --DNA coding for--.At page ~~19~~, line 6, after the word "width" please ~~delete~~ --and pulse width--.